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MINUTES

OF

THE SYNOD

OF

OUTH CAROLINA AND GEORGIA,

AT THEIR SESSIONS

IN AUGUSTA, (GEORGIA,)

NOVEMBER, 1832.

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

AUGUSTA, (Geo.) Nov. 15th, 1832.

11 O'Clock, A. M. }

The Synod of South Carolina and Georgia met, according to adjournment, and in the absence of the Moderator, was opened with a Sermon by the Rev. Nathan Hoyt, from 1 Kings 22d, 14th. "*And Micahiah said, as the Lord liveth what the Lord saith unto me, that will I speak.*"

The Moderator still being absent, Dr. Goulding, the previous Moderator, took the Chair. Constituted with prayer.

PRESENT.

From the Presbytery of South Carolina.

MINISTERS.

Rev. Mr. Waddel, D. D.

John L. Kennedy.

ELDERS.

Robert Cunningham.

From the Presbytery of Hopewell.

John Brown, D. D.

Thomas Goulding, D. D.

John Boggs,

Henry Reid,

John S. Wilson,

Nathan Hoyt,

Samuel K. Talmage,

Alonzo Church,

Isaac W. Waddel,

Rt. McAlpin,

Henry Safford,

Rev. Samuel Cassels,

Edwin Holt,

Thomas F. Scott,

James C. Patterson,

Hampden C. Carter.

Elizur L. Newton,

from Athens.

Samuel Dowse,

from Waynesboro'.

Lock Weems,

from Washington.

Dr. A. Pond,

from Lexington.

John Cunningham,

from Greenvboro'.

Wm. J. Hobby,

from Augusta.

Robert Fleming,

from Lincoln.

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From the Presbytery of Charleston Union.

MINISTERS.

Rev. B. M. Palmer, D. D.
Wm. A. McDowell, D. D.
Benjamin Gildersleeve,
Elipha White.

ELDERS.

Samuel Clarke,
from Beach Island.

From the Presbytery of Harmony.

Rev. S. S. Davis,
John Rennie.

G. T. Snowden,
from Columbia.

From the Presbytery of Georgia.

Lawson Clinton.

From the Presbytery of Bethel.

Rev. John B. Davies,
Rt. B. Campbell.

Wm. Hemphill,
Catholic Church.

ABSENT.

Of the Presbytery of South Carolina.

Rev. Samuel Davis, Hugh Dickson, William H. Bard, D. D., John B. Kennedy, Richard B. Cater, Alexander Kirkpatrick, Anthony W. Ross, Michael Dickson, David Humphrys, Benjamin D. Du Pree, Aaron Foster, Wm. Carlile.

Of the Presbytery of Hopewell.

Francis Cummins, D. D., Edward Pharr, R. Chamberlain, Wm. B. Richards, James Gamble, Jesse Stratton, Joseph Y. Alexander, John Harrison, Carlile P. Beman, Wm. Quillen, Arthur A. Mooney, Joseph C. Stiles, Dennis M. Winston.

Of the Presbytery of Charleston Union.

Aaron W. Leland, D. D., Joseph Brown, Arthur Buist, Edward Palmer, John Dickson, Zabdael Rogers, John B. Van Dyck.

Of the Presbytery of Harmony.

Rev. John Cousar, George Reid, John M. Erwin, Robert W. James, Robert Means, Nicholas R. Morgan, Urias Powers, Rufus W. Bailey, John McEwen, John Harrington, John McFarland, Wm. Brearley, Jephtha Harrison, Constantine Blodgett, Charles Le Roy Boyd.

Of the Presbytery of Georgia.

Wm. McWhir, D. D., Horace S. Pratt, Nathaniel A. Pratt, Robert Quarterman, Heman M. Blodgett, Daniel Baker, James Olcott, Charles C. Jones.

Of the Presbytery of Bethel.

Robert B. Walker, James S. Adams, Aaron Williams, James B. Stafford, Cyrus Johnston, John Le Roy Davies.

The Synod then proceeded to the choice of Moderator and Clerk, when the Rev. Alonzo Church, D. D., was chosen Moderator, and Benj. Gildersleeve, Temporary Clerk.

Synod then had a recess until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

3 O'Clock, P. M.

Synod met. Present as in the morning, together with Samuel Robbins, Elder, from the Church of Louisville. The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

The members present, who were absent at the last meeting, respectively rendered their reasons for absence, which were sustained.

A letter was received from the Rev. John Cousar, assigning reasons for absence, which were sustained.

Presbyterial Reports being called for, the Presbytery of South Carolina presented their report, which was read and accepted; from which it appears that they have dismissed the Rev. Aaron Foster to join the Presbytery of Newberry Port—that they have ordained the Rev. Samuel B. Lewers as an Evangelist, and that they had received from the Hopewell Presbytery the Rev. Isaac W. Waddel. Mr. Lewers being present, took his seat.

The Presbytery of Charleston Union presented their Report, which was read and accepted; from which it appears that they have ordained the Rev. Adam Gilchrist, George W. Boggs, and John A. Mitchell—that they have received Wm. States Lee,

formerly a member of the South Carolina Congregational Association—and the Rev. Thomas Smith, from the Presbytery of Newark—and that they have dismissed the Rev. Joseph Brown, to connect himself with the Third Presbytery of New York. They further report, that they have received under their care a Church recently organized at Hamburg. Rev. Mr. Mitchell, and George M. Thew, Elder from the Church at Hamburg, being present, took their seats as members,

The Presbytery of Bethel presented their Report, which was read and accepted, and from which it appears that they have ordained as an Evangelist the Rev. Wm. B. Davies, and dismissed the Rev. Robert B. Campbell, to connect himself with the Presbytery of Harmony.

From the Presbytery of Harmony there was no written Report—It was, however, verbally reported, that they had received from the Presbytery of Bethel the Rev. Robert B. Campbell, and from the Orange Association the Rev. George Howe. Mr. Howe being present, took his seat in Synod.

It was stated that the Presbytery of Hopewell would be ready to report to-morrow morning.

From the Presbytery of Georgia there was no report.

Dr. Waddel, Dr. Palmor, S. S. Davis, J. B. Davis, L. Clinton, and Dr. Brown, Ministers, and J. Cunningham, G. T. Snowden, and George W. Thew, Elders, were appointed a Committee of Bills and Overtures, with directions to meet to-morrow morning, at half-past 8 o'clock, and afterwards on their own adjournments.

Rev. S. K. Talmage, Pastor of this Church, and the Moderator, were appointed a Committee to make arrangements for public worship during the meeting of the Synod.

Resolved, That it be the order of the day for to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock, to receive Reports on

the state of Religion, and that Dr. Goulding, Mr. Hoyt and Mr. Holt, be a Committee to draw up a narrative to be presented to the Synod.

The following Committees on Presbyterian Records were then appointed, viz:

John A. Mitchell, Minister, and E. L. Newton, Elder, to examine the Records of the Presbytery of South Carolina.

J. B. Davies, Minister, and Robert Cunningham, Elder, to examine the Records of the Presbytery of Hopewell.

John Boggs, Minister, and Samuel Dowse, Elder, to examine the Records of the Presbytery of Harmony.

John Rennie, Minister, and Dr. Samuel Robbins, Elder, to examine the Records of the Presbytery of Georgia.

Samuel J. Cassels, Minister, and Robert Fleming, Elder, to examine the Records of the Presbytery of Bethel.

Rev. Dr. McDowell and Mr. Hoyt, were appointed a Committee to examine the Minutes of the last General Assembly, and report what they may deem worthy the attention of this Synod.

Rev. Thomas F. Scott, and Elizur L. Newton, were appointed a Committee to devise ways and means for defraying the expense incurred in publishing the Minutes of last year.

A letter was received from the Rev. Robert Means of Harmony Presbytery, assigning reasons for absence from the present meeting of Synod, which were sustained.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock. Concluded with prayer.

Friday Morning, 9 o'clock.

Synod met, and was opened with prayer. Present as yesterday. The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Presbyteries being called upon in order for the Stated Clerk's salary, the Presbyteries of South Carolina, Charleston Union, Harmony, and Bethel, paid each the sums which they are respectively assessed, viz : Hopewell Presbytery \$10, Charleston Union \$10, Harmony \$10, and Bethel \$5, and this sum was directed to be paid to the Stated Clerk of the Synod. From the other Presbyteries nothing was received.

The subject of the pledge made by Synod last year to support Rev. George W. Boggs, so long as he may devote himself to the foreign Missionary service, was taken up, and committed to G. T. Snowden, Rev. J. Cassels, and Robert Cunningham, to devise ways and means for redeeming the pledge.

The subject of holding a special season of prayer during the meetings of Synod, was introduced by Mr. Boggs, and after some remarks it was, on motion, referred to Mr. Boggs, Dr. Brown, and Mr. Howe, to report a minute in reference to this matter.

The Presbytery of Hopewell presented their Report, which was read and accepted, and from which it appears, that they have ordained the Rev. Wm. K. Patton—that they have restored the Rev. Wm. Modderwel to the office of the Ministry—and that they have dismissed the Rev. I. W. Waddel, to join the Presbytery of South Carolina, and the Rev. Jesse Stratton, to join the Presbytery of South Alabama—and that on the 22d February, 1832, the Rev. Francis Cummins, D. D., has departed this life. Mr. Modderwel being present, took his seat.

The Committee appointed to devise ways and means for defraying the expense of publishing the Minutes of the last meeting of Synod, Report—

1st. That the sum due to Mr. Gildersleeve is \$27 81 $\frac{1}{4}$.

2d. The Committee recommend, that each member of the Synod present pay the sum of seventy-five cents, which will discharge the above debt, and leave a small balance.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the report be accepted and referred to the same Committee, to collect the amount and pay it over to the person to whom it is due.

Synod then proceeded to the order of the day, which was to hear Reports on the state of Religion. Written Reports were received from the Presbyteries of South Carolina, Hopewell, Charleston Union, Harmony and Bethel, and after having been read, they were referred to the Committee on the Narrative. From the Presbytery of Georgia there was no report.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly presented their Report, which was accepted, and the several items which in their view demanded the attention of Synod, were entered upon the docket.

Rev. Daniel Baker, of the Presbytery of Georgia, Rev. David Humphrys, of the Presbytery of South Carolina, and the Rev. Wm. Quillen, of the Presbytery of Hopewell, appeared, and rendered their reasons for not coming sooner, which were sustained.

A letter was received from the Rev. A. W. Ross, which was read, assigning reasons for absence from the present and the two last meetings of Synod, which were sustained.

The first item in the Report of the Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly was taken up, and on motion it was

Resolved, That the Synod most cordially approve the resolution of the General Assembly, appointing the first Monday in January next, as a day of *Fasting and Prayer*, for the divine blessing on the Ministry of the Gospel throughout the world; for the revival of Religion in the whole of Christendom—and for the entire success of those benevolent enterprises which have for their object the world's conversion to God. And as the present aspect of things in our own bounds, seems in a peculiar manner to call for deep humiliation and special prayer,

They would, therefore, affectionately, but earnestly recommend to all their Churches, as far as practicable, to observe this day in the way, and for the purposes specified in the minutes of the Assembly.

The second item, which respects the subject of admission of members into the Church by individual sessions was taken up, and referred to a Committee consisting of Drs. McDowell and Goulding.

The item which relates to an historical Journal of the General Assembly, was taken up and referred to a Committee consisting of Messrs. White and Talmage.

The Committees appointed to examine the records of the Presbyteries of Harmony, and of Georgia, reported that the books were not present. These Reports were accepted, and the Committees discharged.

The Committee on that part of the Minutes of the General Assembly, which refers to the admission of members to the Communion of the Church, presented a Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz :

Resolved, 1st. That the Synod entirely approve of the views of the General Assembly on this subject, and recommend to all their Churches, a strict regard to the seasonable caution which the General Assembly have given.

Resolved, 2d. That this Minute be published, and in connection with it, the Minute of the General Assembly on this subject.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented Overture No. 1, which was read, and after considerable discussion, was referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. White, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Hoyt.

The Committee appointed to prepare a Minute on spending some time in devotional exercises during the sessions of Synod, presented their Report, which was adopted, and is as follows, viz :

Resolved, That the Synod at each of its stated meeting, spend two hours in religious exercises, con-

sisting of reading the Scriptures, appropriate Psalms and Hymns, short addresses, and more especially, social prayer for the blessing of God on the members of this body, on our deliberations as an ecclesiastical Judicatory, and on the Churches committed to our care—and that, from 10 o'clock in the morning to 1 o'clock in the afternoon of the second day of each meeting of the Synod, be spent in these exercises—and that it be the duty of the Moderator to preside, and designate the brethren who shall conduct them.

Resolved, That for the present meeting, these exercises be performed to-morrow, between the hours of 11 o'clock in the morning and 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Synod then had a recess until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

3 O'Clock, P. M.

Synod met. Present as in the morning, together with Mr. Samuel B. Hunter, Elder from the Church of Bethesda, Hopewell Presbytery, whose reasons for not coming sooner were sustained.

Mr. Clarke, Elder of Beach Island Church, obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the meeting.

The Committee to whom Overture No. 1 was committed, made their Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz :

The Committee to whom was referred Overture No. 1, on the subject of annually appointing three members of Synod to preach at its next meeting, on the various schemes of Christian benevolence—the duties of Ministers and Elders of our Church—and the progress of revivals during the year, Report,

That while they duly appreciate the importance of these several subjects, they deem it inexpedient for Synod to adopt at present any standing rule on this subject, and further recommend the adoption of the following Resolution :

Resolved, That Dr. Waddel be requested to prepare a Sermon on the duties and responsibilities of the

Ministers and Elders of our Church, and to preach the same before the Synod at its next meeting. Rev. Dr. Brown was appointed his alternate.

The Committee to whom was referred the Minutes of the General Assembly, in relation to the publication of a historical Journal, designed to preserve the documents of the Presbyterian Church, presented the following Resolutions as their Report, which was adopted :

Resolved, 1st. That this Synod cordially approve of the Resolutions adopted by the last General Assembly on this subject.

Resolved, 2d. That a Committee of three be appointed to prepare a concise history of the Presbyterian Church within the bounds of this Synod.

The Committee appointed in pursuance of the above Resolution, consist of Dr. Waddel, Dr. Brown, and Dr. Palmer. On motion, the Rev. John B. Davies, Dr. Goulding, and John Cousar, were added to that Committee.

The Committee to whom were referred the Records of the Presbytery of Charleston Union, made their Report, which was accepted, and the Book approved to page 106.

Rev. Henry Reid obtained leave of absence from the remaining sessions of the Synod after this evening.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures reported Overtures No. 2 and No. 3, which, after being read, were ordered to be placed on the docket.

The Committee appointed to collect the Assessment and pay the debt due for printing the Minutes of the last year, reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them, and that there remains in hand a balance of \$3 68 $\frac{3}{4}$, subject to the order of Synod. Ordered that the balance be committed to Mr. Gildersleeve.

The Committee appointed to devise ways and means for the redemption of their pledge to support the Rev. George W. Boggs in the Foreign Mission-

ary service, presented a Report, which was, after being read, laid on the table.

The Rev. Daniel Baker, who was promised by the last meeting of the Synod their countenance and aid in the work of an Evangelist, to which he had devoted himself, communicated to the Synod a concise statement of the very interesting results which had followed his labors in the several places which he had visited during the year.

Synod then adjourned. Concluded with prayer.

Saturday Morning, 9 o'clock.

Synod met, and was constituted with prayer. Present as yesterday.

Mr. Clinton obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the meeting after to-day.

The Committee on the Minutes of the Presbytery of Hopewell, presented their Report, which was accepted, and the Book approved to page 401.

The Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary of the Synod, presented their Minutes with accompanying documents, as their Report in part, which was read and accepted.

It was reported by the Board, that by the death of Col. John Taylor, a vacancy has been created in that body, which it would be proper for the Synod to fill.

It was also reported that the term of service of the following members of the Board expired at this meeting, viz: Ministers, A. W. Leland, D. D., M. Waddel, D. D., A. Williams, J. Cousar, E. White, N. Hoyt—*Laymen*, Thos. Legare, Joseph H. Lumpkin, Wm. Dearing, and B. E. Hand.

It was made the order of the day for Monday morning, at 10 o'clock, to go into an election to fill the vacancies in the Board of Directors.

Synod then proceeded to the nomination of a Layman to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Col. Taylor, and also to nominate individuals to fill

the place of those whose term of service expires with this meeting.

Rev. Truman Osborn, of the Synod of Philadelphia, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

In accordance with the Resolution of yesterday, Synod spent from 11 o'clock in the morning to 1 o'clock in the afternoon, in religious exercises.

Synod then had a recess until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Saturday Afternoon, 3 o'clock, P. M.

Synod met. Present as in the morning.

The Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, having recommended that the Synod apply to the Legislature of South Carolina, at their next meeting, for an Act of Incorporation; it was, on motion,

Resolved, 1st. That the Board be instructed, and they are hereby instructed to take the necessary steps to secure such an Act.

Resolved, 2d. That the terms of the Charter be left entirely to the direction of the Board, except that it should cover the sum of fifty thousand dollars in real estate, and one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of personal property.

The subject of Foreign Missions was called up, and after some discussion, it was referred to the Committee on the pledge for the support of Mr. Boggs, to prepare a Minute on the subject.

The Committee on the Narrative presented their Report, which was read, and after mature deliberation was adopted, and is as follows, viz:

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION

Within the bounds of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia, for the year ending 18th November, 1832.

The Synod of South Carolina and Georgia, in presenting the Annual Narrative of the state of Religion

within their bounds, are thankful that the Churches have been favored with visitations of the Holy Spirit to an extent rarely, if ever before, enjoyed. From every Presbytery from which Reports have been received, the cheering intelligence has come, that some Churches have enjoyed to a greater or less extent, the benefits of a revival of religion. Within the limits of the *Charleston Union Presbytery*, the villages of Walterborough and McPhersonville, have been distinguished by such displays of Divine grace, as have added considerable numbers to Churches of various denominations, and have united Christians of different names in the work, of promoting openly, (and together,) the cause of their common Lord.

In the bounds of the *Presbytery of South Carolina*, the Churches of Pendleton Old Court House, Carmel, Nazareth, and Laurens Court House, have been most signally blessed with the effusions of the Divine Spirit. Several other places within the bounds of that Presbytery, have been pervaded by an awakened interest in religious subjects, from which marked and extensive results have been experienced.

The *Presbytery of Bethel* has rejoiced in witnessing among its Churches, during the past year, some of the same results which have gladdened the hearts of Christians in other places within our bounds. Where the evils of religious declension were deeply felt, and where the followers of Christ mourned over the alarming progress of vice and infidelity at the commencement of the year, *there* have been witnessed a remarkable activity, fruitfulness, and rejoicing among the people of God. While in other congregations, encouraging scenes have been exhibited, those of Bethesda, Bethel, Beersheba, Fishing Creek, and Salem, have been more remarkably favored. The additions to these Churches during the year, have varied from 16 to 46 in each.

In the bounds of the *Presbytery of Hopewell*, the Churches of Macon, Greensborough and Athens have

enjoyed seasons of refreshing, somewhat more considerable than have been shared by other Churches.

But in the *Presbytery of Harmony*, the most extensive and powerful operations of Divine grace have called forth the praises of Christians. The Churches that have been most highly favored, are those of Columbia, Camden, Zion (Winnsborough) Nazareth, Horeb, Jackson's Creek and Wateree, Cheraw, Beaver Creek, Darlington, Marion and Indiantown.

The deepened interest which has been manifest in so large a number of our Churches, has been attended with a remarkable degree of silent solemnity. The truths of the Bible, urged with uncommon plainness and simplicity, have been the means of producing the results over which we rejoice—Protracted meetings have furnished the occasions, when the faithful exhibitions of the word of God have been most successful. It is worthy of particular remark, that an unusually large number of the converts of the past year, have been men—men of *intelligence* and of extensive *influence*—who, it is to be hoped, will, by their activity and in an unsparing consecration of themselves to their New Master, prove a valuable acquisition to the Churches within our bounds.

The ordinary objects of Christian beneficence have received the attention of our Churches. Sabbath Schools are conducted in growing numbers and in increasing usefulness—Bible Classes are made in some of our congregations, an instrument of doing much good—Education Societies collect under their care all the young men that can be found within our limits, who are the proper objects of this interesting department of Christian benevolence. The cause of Temperance is believed to be on the advance—although it is a matter of lamentation that some of the members of our Churches decline to act in favor of a cause, calling so loudly for the prompt co-operation, and the best wishes of every Christian.

The spiritual state of our Black population is found to have called forth, during the past year, an unusually large share of the sympathies of our Churches. We hear with pleasure, that some of our Ministers have begun to think very seriously of devoting their labors more directly and exclusively to this part of our population. The establishment of Sunday Schools for the purpose of communicating religious instruction, orally, to the children of the blacks in some parts of South Carolina, has been found a practicable and promising mode of promoting their spiritual welfare.

The subject of Foreign Missions has begun to secure some of the attention to which it is entitled. The pledge of the Synod at their last meeting, to support a Missionary, originally from South Carolina, (Rev. G. W. Boggs) who has gone to Bombay, has brought the importance of Foreign Missions more directly before our Churches. The interest in this subject has been deepened by the appointment of the Rev. Mr. Pinney, originally a resident of Georgia, to a field of Missionary labor in Africa. It is much to be hoped that the Churches within our bounds, will come so fully up to their privileges and ability on this subject, that both of their Missionaries will receive their support entirely from among ourselves, and that interest enough will be awakened at the same time, to extend our exertions until we shall have performed our part in the vast work of evangelizing the world.

The Theological Seminary of the Synod, we are pleased to learn, is securing a large share of the regards of the Christian community. The efforts that are now making to endow Professorships, deserve and ought to receive the prompt co-operation of all who appreciate the value of an intelligent, and able, and active Ministry. It is to be hoped, that the period is not far distant, when this school of the prophets to which principally our Churches look for the successors of those who are removed from the Ministry by

death—for the Pastors who are to break the bread of life among our numerous unsupplied Churches, shall be so amply furnished by Christian liberality, with the means of imparting a complete Theological Education, that it shall not be behind similar Institutions to which the Churches in other parts of our land look for their spiritual guides.

The Reports of the Presbyteries make no mention of efforts to promote the circulation of the Scriptures. We cannot forbear to suggest the inquiry, whether this department of Christian beneficence receives from our people, the attention it deserves.

The Narrative began with a thankful acknowledgment of Divine goodness, in granting seasons of refreshing, during the past year, to so many of our Churches. But why do so few actually enjoy *now* these valuable blessings? Why have some of our Churches in which uncommon activity and usefulness have been witnessed during earlier parts of the year, relapsed in any measure into a neglected state? Why have some of our Churches remained, during the year, as devoid of refreshing dews of Divine grace, as Gideon's fleece was of moisture when exposed to the dews of heaven? Why has the "good work" of awaking to faithfulness and duty in our Churches, ceased before it had extended throughout all our limits? Why have not our benevolent operations been enlarged and prospered in proportion to the increased ability which the Churches have gained by the accession of those who by their influence, and talents, and wealth, may be expected to prove highly useful in the service of the Redeemer? Especially should we ask, why is it that any of our people have reason to utter the lamentation, "O that it were with us as in months past!" Let the members of our Churches solemnly inquire why it is, the work of God suffers any suspension? If the reason is to be found in the indulgence of undue participation in political contentions, let our members learn to "render unto

Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's," and at the same time to render "unto God the things that are God's." If that reason is to be traced to unfaithfulness in Ministers and people, let repentance for the past, and renewed activity for the time to come, prepare the way for a reception, during the ensuing year, of the same unmerited blessings which have lately contributed so much to replenish our Churches—to strengthen the hands of Christians, and to swell the number of the redeemed.

The Committee on the Records of the Presbytery of South Carolina presented their Report, which was accepted, and the Book approved to page 35.

Mr. Safford, Mr. Scott, Mr. McAlpin, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Hemphill, Mr. Hunter, and Dr. Robbins, obtained leave of absence after to-day.

Overture No. 2 was taken up and adopted, and is as follows :

Resolved, That as soon as practicable after the opening of each meeting, a Committee be appointed, consisting of a member from each Presbytery, to make the necessary arrangements for the religious exercises during the continuance of the meeting ; and that this arrangement, as soon as made, be announced by the Moderator to the Synod.

Resolved, That the next meeting of Synod be held in the Presbyterian Church in Columbia, S. C., on the first Thursday in December, 1833, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Adjourned to meet on Monday morning, at 9 o'clock. Concluded with prayer.

Monday Morning, 9 o'clock.

Synod met. Constituted with prayer. Present as on Saturday.

The Committee on the pledge for the support of Mr. Boggs, presented their report of a Minute on the subject, which, after some discussion, was recommit-

ted to the same Committee, with instructions to amend their Report.

Synod proceeded to the order of the day, viz. to elect Directors for the Seminary, and Mr. Holt and Mr. Mitchell were appointed a Committee to receive and count the votes.

The Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary further presented their Minutes as the continuation of their Report, which was read and accepted.

The Committee appointed to receive and count the votes for Directors in the Theological Seminary, reported, that G. T. Snowden, Esq., was unanimously elected to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of Col. John Taylor—and that A. W. Leland, D. D., M. Waddel, D. D., John Cousar, E. White, N. Hoyt, and S. J. Cassels, *Ministers*—and William Dearing, Thomas Legare, Joseph Henry Lumpkin, and Bayard E. Hard, *Laymen*, were elected for the three ensuing years.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Board, Synod, after invoking the divine direction and blessing, proceeded to the election of a Professor of Christian Theology, and on counting the votes it was found that the Rev. Wm. A. McDowell, D. D., was unanimously elected.

It was, on motion, *Resolved*, That the salary of Dr. McDowell, for the ensuing year, be \$1500.

Drs. Brown and Waddel, and Rev. J. B. Davies, were appointed a Committee to communicate this information to the Professor elect, and to inquire whether he was now prepared to accept of the appointment.

This Committee, after retiring for a while, returned in company with Dr. McDowell, and reported that the Professor elect was present,* and was ready to offer some remarks in reference to his appointment. The result of which was, that he would take the subject under consideration, and give an answer to the Board at as early a period as possible.

Resolved, That this Synod authorize the Board of Directors to appoint either of the Professors, should they deem it necessary or peculiarly expedient, as an agent of the Seminary for such a length of time as may be judged requisite.

The Committee on the pledge for the support of Mr. Boggs, presented their amended Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz :

Upon mature deliberation this Synod believing that the cause of Foreign Missions will obtain a more efficient patronage within our bounds, from being urged upon our people on the basis of its intrinsic merits, rather than on the ground of a specific pledge to an individual—*Therefore Resolved*, That this pledge is not, by any means, considered as an adequate effort of this Synod in behalf of the cause of Foreign Missions—And

Resolved further, That it be earnestly enjoined by the Synod upon all its members, and the Churches under its care, to adopt such measures in relation to this important subject as shall seem to them best adapted to promote its interests, and that each Presbytery be required, annually, to report to this body, through its Stated Clerk, the sums collected for this object. In connection with this subject, the Synod would renew their earnest recommendation to our Churches particularly to observe the monthly concert of prayer, and unite their alms with their prayers on such occasions for Foreign Missions.

Synod had a recess of a few minutes to allow the Board an opportunity of meeting.

After the recess, the Board presented the remainder of their Minutes as the conclusion of their Report, which was read and accepted. And, on motion, it was resolved to adopt and print it, under the direction of the Board, in connexion with the Minutes of the Synod.

Synod then had recess until 3 o'clock, P. M.

Monday Afternoon, 3 o'clock.

Synod met. Present as in the morning. Rev. J. S. Wilson, obtained leave of absence.

Dr. McDowell and Mr. Gildersleeve were appointed a Committee to publish the Minutes of the Synod and Board, and were instructed to have 300 Copies printed for distribution among the Ministers and Churches.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod be given to the citizens of Augusta, for their distinguished hospitality to the members of this body—and that the Rev. Mr. Talmage be requested to publish this Resolution from his pulpit and in the several papers of the city.

After calling the roll, Synod adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian Church, at Columbia, S. C. on the first Thursday in Dec'r. 1833, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Concluded with singing, prayer, and the benediction.

A. CHURCH, *Moderator.*

B. GILDERSLEEVE, *Clerk, Pro Tem.*

APPENDIX.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD.

AUGUSTA, Wednesday, Nov. 14th, 1832. }
7 o'clock, P. M. }

The Board of Directors met according to adjournment.

PRESENT.

MINISTERS.

Rev. B. M. Palmer, D. D.,
President.

LAYMEN.

Mr. R. Cunningham.

Wm. A. McDowell, D. D. Secretary.
B. Gildersleeve,
S. S. Davis,
E. White,
S. K. Talmage,
N. Hoyt.

The Board was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

A Report from the Treasurer was read before the Board, which was accepted and referred to Dr. McDowell, Mr. White, and Capt. Cunningham, for examination.

A Report from each of the Professors was read—which reports were referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. Davis, Mr. White, and Mr. Gildersleeve.

The Board then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

Concluded with prayer.

Thursday Morning, Nov. 15th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Board met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer. Present as last evening, toge-

ther with Rev. Dr. A. Church and Rev. T. B. Davis.

The Minutes of last evening were read.

The members of the Board, who were appointed to attend to the inauguration of Professor Howe, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them. The Rev. Dr. Palmer, on that occasion, delivered a discourse. The Rev. S. S. Davis delivered a charge to the Professor, and Professor Howe delivered an inaugural address.

The Committees to attend the examinations in the Seminary, each submitted a Report, that they had had attended according to appointment, and expressed their satisfaction with the general deportment of the Students, and their performance at the examinations—which reports were accepted.

The Committee to whom the Reports of the Professors were referred, as their report recommended to the Board, that these reports be referred back to the Professors, and that they be requested to submit to the Board a joint, condensed report of the Faculty,—also, that the Librarian be requested to present a distinct report—and that these reports, if practicable, be submitted this evening—which report was accepted, and the reports referred to the Committee, were referred back to the Professors.

Dr. McDowell, from the Committee appointed by the Board at their last meeting, to obtain from Col. Abraham Blanding, a change in the title for the buildings and land of the Seminary, reported, that they have attended to the business, and that Colonel Blanding promptly met the wishes of the Board, and had executed a new deed, still reserving to the original donors the right of reversion, in case the buildings and land should cease to be used for the purposes of a Theological Seminary, or should be appropriated to any other purpose—but in that case securing to the Synod a division in the property, in proportion to whatever sums they may have expended in improve-

ments on the same. This deed was submitted to the Board, as the title by which the property is at present held. Dr. McDowell further reported from the same Committee, that since the second deed has been executed, application has been made to Col. Blanding, to have a title given, which will secure to the Synod the property in fee simple, without any reversionary claims—and that Col. Blanding promptly expressed his conviction, that such title could be obtained, and offered his services to have this done. Further, that Col. Blanding has already obtained the signature of several of the donors, relinquishing their reversionary rights, and has pledged himself in writing to obtain the signatures of all to the same release. A short time will still be necessary to complete this—but the Committee are satisfied it will speedily be accomplished, and the property secured to the Board or Synod in fee simple.

After some remarks in reference to the subject of this report, the Board had a recess until 7 o'clock this evening.

Thursday Evening, Nov. 15th, 7 o'clock.

The Board met. Present as in the morning, together with the Rev. Dr. Waddel.

The Board resumed the Report of the Committee to obtain a change in the title for the buildings and land of the Seminary. After some remarks the report was accepted, and Mr. Douglas and Dr. McDowell were continued as a Committee to have the business completed.

The Faculty of the Seminary submitted their Report, which was read before the Board, and accepted, and, for the present, laid on the table.

The Committee to examine the Report of the Treasurer, reported that they had examined this report, and compared the items with the vouchers, and find the whole correct.

A Report from the Committee of Investment was received and read before the Board, which was referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. White and Capt. Cunningham.

Dr. McDowell, Mr. White, Dr. Church, Mr. Gildersleeve, and Capt. Cunningham, were appointed a Committee, to whom was referred the general subject of the funds of the Seminary, to report what funds now belong to the Institution—and to present a plan for meeting the current expenses of the ensuing year, and for the endowment of the Seminary.

The Board proceeded to consider the Report of the Faculty, when it was, on motion,

Resolved, That so much of this Report, as refers to the accommodation of the Professors and Students with buildings, be referred to a select Committee, consisting of Mr. S. S. Davis, Dr. McDowell, and Mr. Gildersleeve.

Resolved, That so much of the Report of the Faculty as refers to the appointment of a third Professor, be referred to a Committee consisting of Mr. White, Dr. Church, and Mr. J. B. Davies.

A Report from the Librarian, was received and read before the Board, which was referred to a Committee consisting of Dr. Waddel, Mr. Hoyt, and Mr. Talmage.

Resolved, That so much of the Report of the Faculty as refers to a change in the time for the vacations in the Seminary, be referred to a Committee consisting of Dr. McDowell, Mr. White, and Mr. Gildersleeve.

Resolved, That so much of the Report of the Faculty as refers to public exercises, connected with the graduation of the Students, be referred to the same Committee.

The General Agent appointed by the Board at their last meeting, to collect funds for the Seminary, submitted a Report, which was read before the Board,

and accepted, and referred to the Committee on the funds.

The Board then had a recess, to meet again at the call of the President.

Friday Evening, Nov. 16th, 7 o'clock.

The Board met at the call of the President. Present as last meeting.

The Rev. Mr. White, who was appointed by the Board at their last meeting to obtain subscriptions, and collect funds for the Seminary within the bounds of the Charleston Union Presbytery, made a Report, which was read and accepted, and is as follows, viz : That in addition to the subscription of \$5360 00, reported at the last meeting of the Board, he has obtained only the sum of \$355 00, making in all a subscription of \$5715 00. Of this sum \$1471 77 cents, have been collected and paid over to the Committee of Investment the last year—which, added to the sum of \$140 00, previously collected, and transmitted to the Treasurer, makes the whole sum collected on this subscription \$1611 77 cents.

The Agent further reported, that he holds a receipt of the Rev. Mr. Cater, for the sum of \$860 00—through mistake last year reported as \$800 00, which was paid Mr. Cater, as Agent for the Literary and Theological Seminary of the South, and which, by a resolution of this Board, has been transferred to the Charleston Union Professorship, making in all the sum of \$2371 77 cents, collected for this fund.

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Committee of Investment, made their Report, which being read and considered, was adopted, and is as follows, viz :

That they find in the hands of said Committee the sum of \$2680 77 cents, which has not been reported to the Treasurer, as required by the Constitution—They therefore recommend :

1. That the Committee of Investment be directed to report forthwith to the Treasurer, all monies belonging to the Theological Seminary, now in their possession, which have not been received from the Treasury.

2. That this Committee having so reported, be directed to invest, as soon as may be convenient, in some safe and profitable stock, so much of these monies as belong to the permanent fund of the Charleston Union Professorship, and transmit all others to the Treasurer.

3. That the monies so invested shall cover the following sums, viz. \$1611 77, collected on Mr. White's subscription—\$860 00 acknowledged by the receipt of the Rev. Mr. Cater—and \$230 00, collected on the subscription obtained by Dr. Goulding, within the bounds of the Charleston Union Presbytery—in all \$2701 11 cents.

On motion, *Resolved*, That Mr. McIntire be requested to collect, as soon as practicable, the remaining subscriptions of \$600 00, obtained by Dr. Goulding—and having reported it to the Treasurer, that the Committee of Investment be directed to have it invested with the other monies, for the Charleston Union Professorship.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Synod to take measures for obtaining an Act of Incorporation for the Seminary.

Ordered, That as soon as practicable after the Synod meet again, the Minutes of the Board, with the accompanying documents, be read to the Synod, as our report in part.

It was stated to the Board, that since they last met, it has pleased the Great Head of the Church to remove one of the most valuable of our members—Col. John Taylor has been called away by death. His loss will be felt, and deeply felt by our Seminary, and by the Church. But God has done it, and to his wise and holy will we would bow in humble submission.

The office of Vice President of the Board being made vacant by the death of Col. Taylor, the Board proceeded to fill it—when Capt. Robert Cunningham was unanimously elected.

The Board then had a recess, to meet again at the call of the President.

Saturday, Nov. 17th, 1 o'clock, P. M.

The Board met at the call of the President.

The Executive Committee, appointed by the Board at their last meeting, reported, that they have had no meeting during the year as a Committee. It was further stated, that during the month of August, a communication was received by the Secretary from Col. Blanding, proposing, that a lot of land adjoining the lands of the Seminary, be purchased for the use of the same. In this communication it was stated, that said lot could now be purchased on what were considered very good terms. And by the friends of the Seminary, on the ground, it was thought of very great importance this land should be secured.

At the time this communication was received, a majority of the Executive Committee were absent. The only members in Charleston, at the time, were Mr. McIntire, Dr. McDowell, and Mr. Gildersleeve. These individuals, in looking at this subject, were of opinion the land should be purchased—and as they could not authorize a purchase as a Committee, they have, as individuals, made the purchase. The land has been secured to them, and they now offer it to the Board, on the terms on which they had made the purchase.

After some remarks, it was, on motion, *Resolved*, That this Report be accepted, and that the Board become the purchasers of this land, on the terms specified, viz.: to give for the two acres, with the buildings thereon, the sum of \$1000 00—\$500 00 to be paid on the first of January, 1833, and \$500 to be paid

on the first of January, 1834, with interest on the latter sum from the first of January next.

Resolved, That Mr. McIntire, Dr. McDowell, and Mr. Gildersleeve, be a Committee to obtain a deed for this land—and that the same gentlemen be a Committee to hold the property in trust for the Seminary, until an Act of Incorporation can be obtained.

The Board then had a recess, to meet again at the call of the President.

Saturday Evening, Nov. 17th, 7 o'clock.

The Board met at the call of the President.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Report of the Faculty as relates to the vacations in the Seminary—and also that part of the same report, relating to a public examination at the close of the year, reported the following Resolutions, which being read, and considered, was adopted:

Resolved, 1st. That for the next year there be two vacations—the first to commence on the second Thursday of April, and to continue six weeks—and the second to commence on the day of the meeting of the Synod, and to continue four weeks.

Resolved, 1st. That there be also two examinations—the first to commence on the Monday preceding the second Thursday in April—and the second to commence on the Monday preceding the day of the meeting of the Synod—and that Wednesday be devoted more particularly to such public exercises as the Faculty may appoint.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Report of the Faculty as relates to the appointment of another Professor in the Seminary, made their Report, which being read and considered, was adopted, and is as follows, viz:

That after due consideration of the present state of the Seminary, and the necessity of making some further arrangement for instruction in the Institution, they would recommend the appointment of a Profes-

sor of Christian Theology, who shall also act as the General Agent of the Board, in collecting funds for the Seminary.

They would further recommend, that the Rev. William A. McDowell, D. D., be nominated to Synod as a proper person for that Professor.

Resolved, In case the Synod elect a Professor, as recommended above, it be recommended that his salary for the present year be \$1500.

The Board having been directed by the Synod to take the necessary steps to obtain an Act of Incorporation for the Seminary. Mr. White, Dr. Church, and Mr. Cunningham, were appointed a Committee to report a plan for carrying this resolution of the Synod into effect.

The Synod then adjourned, to meet again on Monday, at the call of the President.

Concluded with prayer.

Monday, Nov. 19th, 4 o'clock, P. M.

The Board met at the call of the President, and was opened with prayer. Present as on Saturday.

The Secretary reported, that the Synod have this day elected the following persons as members of the Board for the three years next ensuing :—Rev. A. W. Leland, D. D., Moses Waddel, D. D., John Cousar, Elipha White, Nathan Hoyt, and Samuel J. Cassels, *Ministers*—and Messrs. Thomas Legare, Joseph H. Lumpkin, Wm. Dearing, and Bayard E. Hand, *Laymen*—and that they had elected Mr. G. T. Snowden, to supply the place of Col. John Taylor, deceased.

The Committee on the funds made their Report, which being read and considered, was adopted, and is as follows :

In the Report of the last year, will be found a schedule of the property and permanent funds then belonging to the Seminary. During the present year, the following subscriptions have been obtained, and monies received :

Subscriptions.

Rev. Mr. White's Agent for Charleston Union	}	\$ 355 00
Presbytery, : : : : :		
Rev. Dr. McDowell, as Agent for a Professorship in Georgia, something more than	}	9000 00
<i>Monies received for the Permanent Fund.</i>		
By the Rev. Mr. White, : : : : :		\$1471 77
By Rev. Dr. McDowell, : : : : :		
By the Treasurer, : : : : :		736 82

The Board are aware that considerable abatement is always to be made for subscriptions, especially when they are drawn for a year, or for years to come. In regard to the subscriptions obtained, the Committee consider them as good as the same amount of subscriptions could well be.

In regard to the Rev. Mr. Cater's bond, from the report of the Committee of Investment, it appears, that the greater part of that bond has been paid. At Mr. Cater's request, an indulgence for one year was granted by the Board at their last meeting. The Committee leave with the Board to give such instructions for collecting the balance, as they may think best.

At the last meeting of the Board, it was reported that considerable drafts had been made on our permanent funds, to meet the contingent expenses of the Seminary. The necessity of preventing this in future was then deeply felt, and the Board did what they could to provide for the contingencies of the present year. The Committee regret to find, from the report of the Treasurer, that this year again, to meet contingencies, a draft has already been made on the permanent fund, amounting to \$485 51 cents—and to pay off the accounts, which will be due at the close of the year, it is expected an additional draft will have to be made on the same fund.

The Committee submit this statement to the Board without remark.

As to a plan for increasing the permanent fund, the Board having recommended the appointment of a third Professor in the Institution, with this special object in view, that said Professor should, for the present, be their agent for the endowment of the Seminary. Should such appointment be made and accepted, the Committee recommend, that this business be committed, with discretionary powers to said Professor.

The Committee would, however, suggest to the Board the necessity of making some provision before they adjourn, to meet an emergency arising from the possible failure of the plan contemplated.

In reference to a Contingent Fund, to meet the expenses of the ensuing year, your Committee feel that this is a subject which demands the special attention of the Board, and will require the united, prompt, and decided efforts of all the friends of the Seminary.

To carry into effect the Resolutions of the Board at their present meeting, will necessarily greatly increase the expenses of the year. The payment of the land we have purchased, will add one thousand dollars to our expenses. And should a third Professor be appointed, and accept his appointment, his salary will be another large additional item in our expenses. It must be evident, then, to the Board, that to carry into effect their own resolutions, and carry forward the important operations of the Seminary, an ordinary interest, and ordinary efforts will not suffice. In some important respects, a crisis in our affairs has arrived; and during the present year, we believe it is to be seen what amount of interest and energy we have to meet the crisis. If all the members of the Synod feel, that this is an object of vital importance to the interests of our Southern Zion—and if they are prepared, cheerfully and cordially with their whole hearts, to unite in urging it forward—if they are prepared to make sacrifices, and encounter difficulties, and throw their whole influence, and their united energies into this important work, the Committee have no fears as to the result—they have entire faith in God, that his blessing will attend such a feeling and such efforts. The crisis can be met, and whatever provision may be needed can be made. But the Committee must again say, it is their decided conviction, that ordinary interest and ordinary efforts will not be sufficient.

With these remarks the Committee recommend, that a plan similar to the one adopted last year, be adopted for the present year—and with this recommendation, that this business also be committed, with discretionary powers to the proposed General Agent.

The Committee would also recommend to the Board, that the sum of \$5000 00 cents, be appropriated for the contingent expenses of the coming year—and that exclusive of this, the Board make arrangements to meet the promised payments for the lands recently purchased.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Seminary, from whatever monies he may have in his hand, be directed to pay to George Cotchet, and James S. Guignard, on, or before the first day of January, the sum of \$500, being the first payment for the land referred to in the preceding minute.

It was reported to the Board, that the Synod have this day confirmed their nomination of a third Professor, and unanimously elected the Rev. Dr. McDowell, as Professor of Christian Theology in the Seminary—and that they have referred to the Board to make whatever arrangements may be necessary, in case this appointment should be accepted.

Mr. Davis, Mr. White, and Dr. Church, were appointed a Committee, to submit to the Board a report, designating distinctly the departments and duties of the Professors in the Seminary.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of specifying terms for an Act of Incorporation, to be applied for by this Board, reported the following Resolution, which being read and considered, was adopted :

Resolved, That Dr. McDowell, Capt. Cunningham, and Mr. Means, be a Committee to prepare a Memorial, and have the same presented to the Legislature of South Carolina, at its next session in Columbia, praying that Moses Waddel, Benjamin M. Palmer, Robert Cunningham, John B. Davis, Wm. A. McDowell, Benjamin Gildersleeve, Samuel S. Davis, Elipha White, Alonzo Church, Samuel K. Talmage, Nathan Hoyt, and others, be incorporated as "The Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary of the Synod of South Carolina and Georgia," to consist of thirty members, seven of whom shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and with power to hold the sum of fifty thousand dollars in real estate, and one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of personal property—to make a common seal—to make by-laws for the benefit of the Corporation—to sue and be sued in any Court—and to decide all questions by a plurality of votes.

The Committee appointed by the Board at their last meeting, to prepare a system of By-Laws for the Seminary, made their Report, which being read and considered, was adopted, and is as follows, viz :

That after mature consideration of the constitutional rights of the Faculty, to regulate the internal concerns of the Institution, and to form By-Laws for the Library, they deem it inexpedient for the Board at present to adopt any new rules in relation to the Seminary—while at the same time, in view of the defects in the Constitution, and the prospect of having the Board incorporated, they would recommend the appointment of a Committee of three persons, to revise, alter, and amend the Constitution, and submit the same to the Board at their next meeting,

They would further recommend for the better regulation of the Board, the adoption of the following Rules or By-Laws, viz :

1. At each meeting of the Board, the President, or, in case of his absence, the Vice President shall take the Chair, and call the members to order, as soon as the hour of meeting arrives.

2. At every annual meeting of the Board, as soon as practicable after the Board is organized for business, the following Committees shall be appointed, viz :

A Committee of Ways and Means—To take a general view of the state and prospects of the Seminary, and to devise and recommend measures necessary to its success.

A Building Committee—To examine the buildings belonging to the Seminary, and recommend any repairs, alterations, or additions that may be necessary.

A Committee on the Library—To consider whatever relates to at subject, and recommend measures accordingly.

A Committee of Laws and Regulations—To investigate the whole internal management of the Institution, and suggest necessary alterations.

A Committee of Audits—To audit all accounts submitted to the Board.

3. No discussion shall take place in the Board without a regular motion—and no member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without permission from the Board.

Mr. White, Mr. Gildersleeve, and Dr. McDowell, were appointed a Committee to revise the Constitution, and submit to the Board, at their next meeting, such alterations as they may deem expedient.

The Committee to designate the respective duties of the Professors, made their Report, recommending that a Committee be appointed to confer with the Faculty—and that the following arrangement be made:—In case the Professor elect of Christian Theology, accept his appointment, the duties of his department be divided between the other two Professors during his absence from the Seminary, in prosecution of the Agency assigned him by the Board.

This Report was adopted, and Mr. Davis, Mr. White, and Mr. Talmage, were appointed a Committee, to meet in Columbia, on the first Wednesday in January, to make with the Professors the necessary arrangements.

The Secretary read before the Board, a letter from Mr. Thomas Legare, expressing his regret, that in the providence of God, he had been denied the anticipated pleasure of meeting with the Board, and enclosing \$50, as a donation to the Contingent Fund.

On motion, *Resolved*, That Mr. Legare's excuse for absence be sustained, and the thanks of the Board be returned for his liberal donation.

On motion, *Resolved*, In case the Professor elected at this meeting accept his appointment, and go out as an Agent, his travelling expenses as an Agent, be paid out of the funds of the Seminary.

The Rev. Mr. White, was re appointed an Agent for the coming year, within the bounds of the Charleston Union Presbytery.

The Rev. Mr. S. S. Davis, or in case of his failure, the Rev. Mr. White, was appointed to preach the next Annual Sermon before the Board.

Dr. McDowell presented his account for the supply of his pulpit, and for travelling expenses, while engaged for three months in an Agency for the Seminary, amounting to \$375 00 cents—which account was allowed, and a draft on the Treasurer for the same ordered by the Board.

Mr. Gildersleeve presented an account for Books, amounting to \$15 62½ cts. *Ordered*, That a draft be issued for its payment.

The Committee on the subject of Buildings for the accommodation of the Students, made their Report, recommending that

the buildings on the Seminary ground, be appropriated exclusively to the use of the Students, with the exception of two rooms in the main building, to be reserved, if needed, for Professor's studies. They further recommended the appointment of a Committee to carry this arrangement into effect, and in general to superintend the buildings, and make whatever arrangements may be needed, subject to the revision of the Board.

Their Report was adopted, and Captain Cunningham, Mr. Snowden, and Mr. Douglas, were appointed a Committee to carry it into effect. The Committee on the Library reported, that for want of funds, it would be inexpedient for the Board to make an appropriation for Books at the present time, which Report was adopted.

Dr. Palmer, Dr. Leland, Dr. McDowell, Mr. Gildersleeve, Mr. White, Mr. Thomas Legare, and Mr. C. McIntire, were appointed an Executive Committee for the current year, with full powers to act in all matters for the Seminary, that may require attention during the recess of the Board—and the same Committee are required to report their proceedings to the Board at their next meeting.

Mr. S. S. Davis, Mr. Means, Mr. James, Mr. Talmage, and Mr. Snowden, were appointed a Committee to attend the Spring Examination of the Seminary, on the second Thursday in April.

Resolved, That the Fall Examination be in the presence of the Board of Directors.

Dr. McDowell and Mr. Gildersleeve, were appointed a Committee to publish the Minutes of the present meeting of the Board, in connection with the Minutes of Synod, and in such other way as they may deem expedient.

The Board then adjourned, to meet at the Seminary in Columbia, on the Monday preceding the first Thursday in December, 1833, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Concluded with prayer.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

B. M. PALMER, D. D. *President*.

Capt. ROBERT CUNNINGHAM, *Vice President*.

W. A. McDOWELL, *Secretary*.

WM. LAW, Esq. (of Columbia) *Treasurer*.

Directors for three years, from Nov. 1832.—MINISTERS—A. W. Leland, D. D., M. Waddel, D. D., J. Cousar, E. White, N. Hoyt, S. J. Cassels. LAYMEN—Thomas Legare, Jos. H. Lumpkin, Wm. Dearing, and B. E. Hard.

Directors for two years, from Nov. 1832.—MINISTERS—B. M. Palmer, D. D., W. A. McDowell, D. D., B. Gildersleeve, Alonzo Church, D. D., J. C. Stiles, S. S. Davis. LAYMEN—Jas. K. Douglas, C. McIntire, Barrington King, and W. Seabrook, sen.

Directors for two years, from Nov. 1832.—MINISTERS—H. S. Pratt, R. W. James, J. B. Davies, S. K. Talmage, R. Means, and M. Dickson. LAYMEN—G. T. Snowden, Joseph Cumming, David R. Evans, and Robert Cunningham.